

SECTION 5. *Be it further enacted*, that subsection (a) of Section 3-19 of said Code, title and article, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows :

Section 3-19. Disposition of dead dogs.

(a) The owner of any dog which has died from disease or any other cause shall forthwith provide for the cremation or burial of the same. If he fails to do so, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction before a [trial magistrate] *district court*, shall be fined a sum of ten dollars, which fine shall be remitted to the dog license commission for the purpose of defraying the expense of burial of the animal.

SECTION 6. *Be it further enacted*, that Section 3-20 of said Code, title and article, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows :

Section 3-20. Unauthorized possession.

The unauthorized possession of a dog by any person not the true owner, for a period exceeding three days without notifying either the owner, or the authorized dog shelter and/or the dog license commission, of such possession, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction before a [trial magistrate] *district court* or circuit court for the county shall be subject to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 7. *Be it further enacted*, that Subsection (b) of Section 3-21 of said Code, title and article, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows :

Section 3-21. Reimbursement for maiming or destruction of domestic animals.

(b) Whoever suffers loss by dogs on his own property by the maiming or killing of his livestock or poultry, outside the premises of the owners or keepers of such dogs, may, provided he acts within ninety-six hours from the date of his knowledge of the occurrence, apply to the [trial magistrate] *district court* or dog warden for the appointment of three disinterested persons, as appraisers to view, if possible, and appraise the damage by him claimed; and they, or a majority of them, shall state in writing to the dog license commission their reasons for believing that a dog did the damage, the number of each kind of animal injured or killed, the character and extent of the injury done, the reasonable salvage possible and the net amount of damages sustained by the owners. The owner shall make oath that he believes the damage was done by a dog and when the claim so completed is filed with the commission, the commission or its representatives may investigate the claim and determine if possible, the identity and ownership of the dog responsible for the loss. If such identity and ownership is not known, the dog license commission shall review